



Title page of Liber B.  
The

Book of Records  
For the County of  
Richmond Commenc. Mar.  
1<sup>st</sup> 1683

Scriptura hinc: Ale<sup>r</sup>. Sher  
Die Aprilis Millesim

Latus ad occasum. nunc  
Vivis hodie Morias bre

ed. is 6th edition 1844.

Mem. Mr. H. G. Brown has a copy of this being

Index B. of Records begins  
first day of March 1683.

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36<sup>th</sup> year of reign of Char 2<sup>d</sup>

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Decimus Octavo  
Septingentesimo Octavo  
quam rediturus ad ostium  
hinc natus eram

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Journal of the New York  
Provincial Congress. Vol 2.  
p. 287. Proclamation of  
Lord Howe and Gen. Howe  
Staten Island. <sup>Jul. 14</sup> 1776 inviting  
persons to return to their  
allegiance.

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In the Book of Records of  
the Court of Sessions the  
earliest mention of the Court  
being held at "Richmond Town"  
is dated Sep. 3<sup>d</sup> 1729. The first  
mention of its being held at Spangbrook is Mar.  
5<sup>th</sup> 1717.  
On the inside of the cover  
of this book, opposite to the  
Title page, Chas.<sup>r</sup> Stuart has  
written

Non Magna Loquimur.  
— Sed Vivimus.

A Copy of the Title page written by him  
is opposite: it is writ



an in a hand rather fantastic than orna-  
mental. The Book

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Records of the Courts of Sessions  
and Common Pleas held in  
the County of Richmond in  
the province of New-York &c.

Commenced 6<sup>th</sup> day  
of March An<sup>o</sup> 1710

and  
Kept p<sup>r</sup>

Alex<sup>r</sup> Stuart clk

id faciant Reges ubi Solo pecunia regnat  
aut ubi paupertas Vincere Nulla potest.

(in a different hand)

Ad<sup>m</sup> Mott clk.

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11. Their inward thought is, that their honours shall continue for ever, and their dwellings last to all generations; they call their lands after their own names.

12. Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not; he is like the beasts that perish. Psalm ~~XXIX~~ <sup>XXIX</sup> 11. 12.

See opposite



Dongan Decd

Page 16.

"made the fourteenth  
day of January in the  
year of our Lord one thou-  
sand six hundred eighty  
and four!"

An Indenture Recorded for  
his honour Governor Dong-  
gan the 15 Day of January  
1684, "Between John  
Palmer of statton Island"  
"Esq.<sup>r</sup> and Sarah his wife  
of the one parte, and the Right  
hon<sup>ble</sup> Colo.<sup>ll</sup> Thomas Dong-  
gan Lieut. and Governor  
under his Roy.<sup>ll</sup> high.<sup>es</sup> James  
Duke of York and Albany of  
New York and dependen-  
cies of the other parte, wit-  
nesseth" that for and in conde-  
mation of the sum of twelve hundred  
pounds he and Sarah his wife have  
granted, bargained, or sold to Dong-  
gan

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" All that their Capitall  
Messuage or dwelling house  
with the Appurtenances sit-  
uate lying and being on the  
north side of Statten Island  
Aforesaid within Constables  
Hooke neere the Mill Creeke  
late in the Occupation and  
possession of the said John  
Palmer, And All that  
Certaine Parcells or Tract  
of Land therunto belonging  
being upon the north side of  
Statten Island Aforesaid  
within Constables Hooke  
lying betweene the two runne  
all the mill creeke begin-  
ning with a narrow point  
And Running up wider in

to the Island containing  
the quantity of three hundred  
forty and two Acres with  
meadow Ground to be laid  
out proportionably" also a  
tract of ninety - two acres to the  
East of Mill creek with the Mill  
which was granted to John Pal-  
mer by Sir Edmund Andross  
in 1674, also two windmills and  
a saw-mill upon the premises  
built by John Palmer  
another lot containing 80 acres  
" " " 90 .  
" " " 8 acres of meadow  
(last mentioned lot and meadow grant-  
ed to Jacob Cornelius by Sir E. Andross <sup>1680</sup>  
and conveyed by him to John Palmer)  
Ninety acres of land with 8 acres  
of meadow granted to James Byles by  
Sir E. Andross (conveyed to Palmer

then follows a "tract or  
 parcell of land lyeing and  
 being in the middle ~~of~~ body  
 of the said Island" of  
 which the boundaries are  
 given chiefly in reference to lands  
 of other persons" containing with  
 all the Hills, valleys and Fresh  
 meadows within the Above Spec-  
 ified bounds "Four thousand  
 and Five hundred Acres"  
 also an island of meadow  
 near Fresh Kill

"All which Said Last men-  
 tioned tract or parcell of  
 Land And Island of mea-  
 dow were Granted unto the  
 Said John Palmer his heirs and



Assignes by the hon<sup>ble</sup> Thomas  
Dongan Esq.<sup>e</sup> party to these  
presents by patent under the  
seal of the said province bear-  
ing Date the second Day of  
May last past before the  
date of these presents

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Page 59. "Indenture of Bargaine  
and Sale was Recorded for his  
Excellency Coll<sup>o</sup> Thomas Dongan  
the Twentieth day of June An<sup>o</sup>  
Dom<sup>o</sup>. 1687." Between Mary  
Britton of Hotten Island Widdow  
and his Excellency J. D. Albany B. Grant  
bargains and sells a messuage and  
parcell of land att the old Towne  
bounded on the N.W. by <sup>the</sup> land of  
the Governor.



*In Sale -* *seal of Province of*  
Page 74. Patent by Thomas Dongen  
to John Palmer. dated March 31<sup>st</sup>  
1687. begins *(Dongen Pat.)*

"Whereas John Palmer of the  
City of New York Esq<sup>r</sup> as well  
by virtue of severall deeds and  
Patents to him or them under  
whome he claymes made by  
the former Governors of this  
Province as by virtue of a certain  
Patent or Confirmation under  
my hand, and seal of the  
Province, bearing date the se-  
cond day of May 1684: stands  
lawfully and Rightfully Sei-  
zed of & in all that Tract  
or parcell of Land."  
The boundaries of the manor are now rec-  
ited, amounting to five thousand and one hun-  
dred acres, be the same more or less.

It is constituted "One Lordship or  
manor" to "be called the Lordship  
and manor of Cassittowne"  
he is to pay yearly of tithes one lamb and eight  
bushels of winter wheate on the first and twentieth  
day of March.

Page 79. At a Councill held  
in New York the 31<sup>st</sup> of March  
1687 present His Excellency the  
Governor Major Anthony Brockholl  
Major Frederick Phillips  
Major Stephanus Van Cort-  
landt, Collorell Nicholas  
Bayard, this patent was ap-  
proved of.

Page 80. Indenture <sup>recd</sup> Aug. 10. 1687  
made Apr. 16. 1687.

between Palmer and Isa D. P. grants  
to D. the Lordship and manor of  
Cassittowne.

P. 99. Indenture of sale from James  
Sargey to Isa D. made <sup>May</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1688.

P. 5. Entry at foot of page.

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"Acknowledged at Richmond  
y.<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> day of octob. an. 1688  
before me Obadiah Holmes  
Justice".

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Dengan to Carhartt

P. 107. Indenture made June  
24. 1687. Between his Exc.<sup>y</sup>  
J. D. Capt. Gen and Governor in  
Chief and Thomas Carhartt.  
witnesseth that Dengan  
"Hath Demised, granted, lett  
and to farm lett, unto the  
said Thomas Carhartt, all  
that his Plantation Scituate  
lying and being on ye north  
side of Statter Island, for-  
merly belonging to Capt.  
John Pallmer, and now in

the possession of him the sd  
Thomas Dongan?

together with 2 corn mills, dwelling  
house and out houses barns stables  
orchards gardens &c &c excepting  
the Brewhouse Tannyard and  
the house where Geo May now lives  
with 6 negro slaves men, and  
6 women. 20 cows 6 oxen  
1 Bull 4 horses for the full  
term of 7 years.

"also one white man servant  
named John Read & Ruth  
his wife during their term of  
service to the said Thomas  
Dongan"

Barthart is to pay one half of  
the whole produce of corn or other  
grain, except crop now standing which  
is to be Barthart's. He pays also  
for the husbandry of the mills &c.

Sat. Sep. 7<sup>th</sup> P. 116. 16<sup>th</sup> The following  
Mortgage was  
Recorded for R. 116  
Livingston of Albany  
116. This Indenture made the  
first day of May in the fifth  
year of his Majesty's reign  
and in the year of our Lord  
Christe one Thousand Six  
Hundred Eighty and nine  
Between the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Col.  
Thomas Dongan now Resident  
at the City of New York  
in America of the one part,  
and Robert Livingston of Alba-  
ny, in of County of Albany  
likewise in America Mer-  
chant of the other part,  
Whereas John Pallmer late  
of ye City of New York Esq<sup>r</sup>  
& Sarah his wife the six-  
teenth Day of April, in ye



1717

year of our Lord one Thou-  
sand five hundred Eighty  
seven & in the third year  
of the Reigne of our Sov-  
eraine Lord James the Sec-  
ond, by the Grace of God  
King of England Scotland  
France & Ireland, Defen-  
der of the Faith &c, By  
there certaine Deed In-  
dented, sealed with their  
seales Acknowledged before  
Matthias nicolls Esq. then  
one of the Judges of o<sup>r</sup> Lord  
the King aforesaid to hold  
pleas in y<sup>e</sup> Counte of oyer  
Terminers for the Province  
New York assigned & in  
all things within the Record

of the County of Richmond  
as an y<sup>e</sup> Secretarys office  
for the said Province, Did  
give grant a new Bargaine  
Sell, Enffeeff & confirmed  
unto the said Thomas Dongan  
his heirs & assigns for Ever  
all that the Lordshipp and  
Manor of Cassettowne, with  
the Appurtenances — — — —

— — — — — And whereas T. D. is  
seized of "an Estate of In-  
heritance in fee simple" — — —  
— — — lying at y<sup>e</sup> Old Towne"  
of 180 acres, with two small  
parcels of land <sup>all</sup> conveyed by  
Mary Butler to T. D., and of a  
mether estate at Old Towne late in  
possession of Peter Nove, and conveyed  
by him to T. D. and of another

on the South Side conveyed  
by James Loggie to J. D. "Now  
This Indenture Witnesseth"  
that J. D. in consideration of a  
certain sum of money "hath Grant-  
ed Bargained Sold Enfeoffed  
& confirmed and by these pres-  
ents doth Grant bargain  
sell enfeoff & confirm unto  
the said Robert Kerrington  
his heirs & assigns all  
that the above mentioned  
Lordskip & manor of  
Kassiltowne, with the  
appurtenances" &c - - -  
with above mentioned tracts or par-  
cels of land, with the miles,  
"That is to say, one Tide Grist  
mill & one over = shott Grist  
mill" &c - - - appurtenances, rights &c

"provided <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>allways</sup> ~~upon~~  
this Condition & it is the  
true Intent & meaning of this  
presents, That if the said  
Thomas Dayan his heirs  
Executors Adm<sup>rs</sup> or assignees  
or either or any of them shall  
& do well & truly pay or  
cause to be paid unto the  
said Robert Livingston his  
heirs Executors Adm<sup>rs</sup> or  
assignees at the City Hall  
of the City of New York upon  
or before the first day of  
May which shall be in y<sup>e</sup>  
year of o<sup>r</sup> Lord Christe  
one Thousand Five Hun-  
-dred ninety & four, the  
full & just summe of Two  
Thousand one Hundred  
Seventy & two pounds

Seven Shillings & two pence  
halfe = penny, good & lawful  
money of New York & that  
without fraud Coine or any  
further delay That then  
this Grant & bargain &  
sale shall ~~be~~ <sup>be</sup> determine  
& be utterly null & void  
--- and Livingston co-  
venants with T. D. "that it  
& shall & may be Lawfull  
for him the said Thomas Don-  
gan his heirs & assigns, for  
untill the terme and space  
of two whole yeares from the  
day of the date hereof shall  
be expired past & ended  
the above mentioned to be  
granted premises & every  
parte thereof to possess use



occupy & enjoy & the proffits  
thereof to have & take to his  
or their own proper use &  
behoofe without being lyable  
to Render any Account  
thereof to him the said  
Robert Livingston his  
heires or assigns, This  
present Indenture or any  
matter Clause or thing  
therein contained to the  
Contrary hereof in any wise  
notwithstanding" only that  
J. D. is to keep the premises in  
repair. If the <sup>or any part of it</sup> money be not paid  
at the expiration of two years from  
the date hereof, Livingston is to  
have hold possess and enjoy the  
premises, and take the profits to  
his own use, and further that

"whereas these Presents are  
only made & executed for the  
better security & assurance  
of the Payment of the said  
Summe of "£2172. 6. 3/4  
if now the sum at the appointed  
time shall remain unpaid, the  
premises, at the desire of Livingston  
signified by giving Reason-  
able notice thereof to him  
the said "J. D." his certaine  
attorney" &c "shall be valued  
and appraised by two good &  
lawfull men" one chosen by Liv-  
ingston, his heirs, executors, Ad-  
ministrators or assigns and the  
other by Dengar his certaine At-  
torney, heirs, exec<sup>rs</sup>, adminis<sup>tr</sup>, or as-  
signs, upon oath. If the prem-  
ises are rated at more than the

sum due then Livingston <sup>his heirs &c</sup> are  
have the property <sup>in</sup> ~~in~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~of~~ <sup>their</sup> free Absolu-  
te and undefeasible Es-  
tate of Inheritance in fee Simple  
on payment of the surplus.

If the premises are rated at  
less than the sum then Living-  
ton is to have them in fee sim-  
ple and Dongan binds himself  
to pay the deficiency. Lastly  
Dongan covenants that

"Whereas the said sum  
of two Thousand one hun-  
dred Seventy two pounds,  
Six shillings & two pence  
half penny is money paid  
out & expended by the  
said Robert Livingston by  
order of him the said Thom-  
as Dongan upon the late

<sup>and Charles Duncanson p. 107 of Graham's II. 261.</sup>  
Expedition att all any  
ag<sup>t</sup> the French for Provisions  
for the Troops as well Chris-  
tians as Indians, presents  
to the Indians, & other Ne-  
cessary Disbursements on  
that Occasion, att such  
time & soe soone as the  
said Thomas Dongan his  
Executo<sup>r</sup>. Adm<sup>r</sup>. or assignes  
shall have Received pay-  
ment or Satisfaction for the  
Charge & Expence of the said  
Albany Expedition or such  
part thereof as shall Amount  
to the Disbursements, made  
by the said Robert Livingston  
being Eight months Provisions  
for the Troops, as well Chris-  
tians as Indians Presents

to the Indians & other Ne-  
cessary Expences as afore-  
said. That then the same  
shall be well truly and  
duly paid - & satisfied  
to him the said Robert Leo-  
vingston his Executors, Ad-  
ministrators or assigns, the  
limitation of five years here-  
in mentioned for the paym't.  
thereof or any other matter or  
thing herein contained for  
the suspending & delaying the  
payment of the same in any  
wise notwithstanding"

Page 130. Bond recorded for  
Robert Livingston May  
27. 1689  
The purport of which is that Thomas



Dongan is held and firmly bound  
to Robert Livingston in four thou-  
sand pounds to which payment he  
binds himself, heirs &c. by these  
presents, sealed with his seal, dated  
May 1<sup>st</sup> 1689. Condition such  
that of Dongan his heirs &c. well and  
truly hold and perform all the  
covenants grants &c. contained in  
5 pairs of indentures bearing date  
even with these presents made  
between D. and L., that the  
such obligation shall be void,  
otherwise to remain and be in  
full force.

Sat. Sep. 14<sup>th</sup> P. 142<sup>nd</sup> 28

For the marriage of Martijn Heerdeewyn with Madlyn de Dauchoy,  
daughter of Mareq de Dauchoy, March 5. 1671 vid. D. I. p. 170 N<sup>o</sup> 166.

p. 142. A deed of sale from  
Mathew Ardwin, yeoman, to  
Arrygalin N. Kether. <sup>See Hist. III 152.</sup> yeoman,  
Marck Dussanchoy of a  
tract of land near Smoakeing  
Pointe, containing 82 Acres,  
signed and sealed. Dec. 21. 1686.

p. 146. In a deed on this  
page "Mark Dussanchoy" is  
entitled "Planter". By this  
deed Dussanchoy conveys  
the tract at Smoakeing Point  
to George Browne of the city  
of New York, Beer Brewer.

p. 169. A mortgage to Paulus  
Richards of the City of New  
York, merch. & from Jacques  
Guyon of a tract of land  
granted to Guyon by Ed-

named Andross Esq<sup>r</sup> lying  
 "on the south side" "neare the  
 great Kill" as also the Salt  
 and fresh meadows lying on the  
 west-side of the pointe near  
 his plantation, Betwixt  
 A Certain Creeke and Bird  
 in's pointe "Contayning in  
 all one Hundred Seventy Eight  
 acres, as by the said Grant  
 or Confirmation bearing date  
 the 25<sup>th</sup> day of march in the  
 Twenty Seaventh Year of  
 his maj<sup>ties</sup> Reign Among  
 D<sup>ms</sup>: 1675 att Large doth  
 and may appeare.

Signed and Sealed by Guy on  
 1692

p. 174. Ellis Dunsbury's  
 name ~~first~~ <sup>also p. 167.</sup> appears, appended  
 to the acknowledgment of a deed  
 from Pierre Billau to Pau-  
 lus Richards.

p. 178. 1692 John Shotwell  
 Esq is mentioned as "one of  
 their mag<sup>ties</sup> Justices with-  
 in the County of Richmond.

p. 183 1692 Ellis Dunsbury Esq.  
 is mentioned as "one of their  
 mag<sup>ties</sup> Justices of the Peace  
 within the County of Richmond"

p. 187.

The following Indenture was  
 Recorded for Charles Marshall  
 the 24<sup>th</sup> day of octob<sup>r</sup>. Annoq<sup>o</sup>  
 Dni 1692.

This Indenture made the Twen-  
 ty ninth day of Septemb<sup>r</sup> in  
 the Fourth Year of the  
 Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord  
 and Lady William & Mary  
 by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God King  
 & Queen over England &c.  
 and in y<sup>e</sup> Year of o<sup>r</sup> Lord  
 1692 Between Ellis Sma-  
 bury and Abraham Lack-  
 man Esq<sup>r</sup> & Two of theire  
 ney <sup>the</sup> Justice's of the Peace  
 within the County of Richmond  
 of the one part, and Charles  
 Marshall of the said Coun-  
 ty of Richmond Husbandman  
 of the other part: Witnesseth  
 that the aforesaid Justice's have



(by Virtue of an act of Par-  
liament made in the ffourty Third  
Yeare of Queen Elizabeth)  
Bound, and by these pre-  
sents doe bind & sell Eliza-  
beth the base Childe of  
Nicholas Morris Lately Se-  
ceased, as an apprentice  
w<sup>th</sup> the said Charles mar-  
shall, to serve the said  
Charles in the manner of an  
Apprentice from the day of  
the date hereof untill the  
said Elizabeth shall come  
to the age of Eighteen Yeares  
(or time of her marriage)  
And the said Charles doth  
hereby covenant and prom.

ise to find and maintayn  
the said Elizabeth w<sup>th</sup> suffici-  
ent meat drink washing  
Lodging and apparell in  
Sickness and in health du-  
ring the said Terme and  
at the End and Expiration  
of the said Terme the said  
Charles shall furnish the  
said Elizabeth w<sup>th</sup> two  
Sutes of apparell one for  
Sundays & the other for work  
days - In Witness where  
of the said parties have  
hereunto sett their hands  
and seals the day and  
years above written.

Sealed & delivered in Ellis County  
in presence of  
John Hildwell  
at: Bartholomew Abraham Lockman  
Charles Signum Marshall

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Cornelis Corseus was appointed by Deisler  
Justice and Captain in Richmond Dec. 19. 1689  
Doc. Hist. N. Y. II. 349.

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p. 188. Cornelis Corseus, yeo  
man, Administrator of Thom-  
as Walton, late of Rich-  
mond County deceased. sells  
to Francis Martins, a par-  
cel of land on the South side.  
1692.

p. 190 Thomas Walton,  
son of Thomas Walton, Deed  
ratifies and confirms the bar-  
gain. Sept. 25. 1692.

p. 206  
John Crosheroon  
a witness

p. 219. A parcell of land spoken  
of "within the bounds of the  
old Towne bounded" on the  
west by the Land of Cornell

[Oct. 5. Page 254. Lib. B. c. the interesting document<sup>36.</sup>  
relating to the Roads which I cannot yet decipher  
by decipher<sup>ed</sup>] [Page 386. a document of same  
kind for North division]  
done), in a deed from Na-  
thaniel Britton and Mary his  
wife.

Page 375. This following deed  
of Gifte was recorded for the  
French Congregashone Residing  
with In the County of Richmond  
on Statone Island the 22 day  
of may Annoque dom: 1698

To all Christiane peopell To  
whome theas present writings  
shall come John bealle sea-  
nior of the County of Richmond  
and provence of new yorke wea-  
ver and hester his wife send  
eth Greeting In our Lord God  
Ever Lasting now know yee that  
weare as Thomas Hobson

of the Countrey of Richmond  
 yeoman did & by his certen  
 wrighting or deed pole under  
 his hand & sealle bearing date  
 The 7 seaventh day of feberarey  
 and in the third year of the  
 Reign of our sovereing Lord  
 william the third by the Grace  
 of God of England & Scotland  
 france & Irland King annuque  
 dom 1691<sup>2</sup> Grant bargone sell  
 and convey unto John belveale  
 of the Countrey of Richmond &  
 provence of new yorke wea-  
 ver his heirs Exekutors Adm<sup>ors</sup>.  
 And assigns A serten trakt  
 or parcell of Land situate  
 lying and being on the west



side of statones Island neare  
the fresh Killles begining by  
the meadow and streching in  
to the wood by the Lyne of  
fransis oseltone dyrect <sup>South</sup>  
three hundred Rodd from  
thence west six degrees &  
northerly thirty six Rodd thence  
dyrect north by the Lyne of  
Abraham Lacumone three hun-  
dred Rodd thence East thir-  
ty six Rodd containing  
In all sixtey acres as by  
the Recited deed pole Rela-  
shone thereunto being had  
doth and may more fully and  
att Large Appeare Now Know  
ye that the said John bel-

vealle of Statone Island And  
 provence of New Yorke and  
 hestes his wife Testified by  
 her being A party to the En-  
 soling and deliverey of  
 thease presents for the  
 Reaell Loufe and Afecti-  
 -one that they beare to the  
 ministrey of Gods word  
 and the savashone of yeaer  
 soules do firmly by theas  
 presents firmly freeley  
 & absolutely Give Grante  
 Ratifie & Confirme un to  
 the french Congregashone  
 or Church upon Statonesp-  
 land within the Countey of  
 Richmond wone Arcer of

up land & being parte and  
 parcell of the afore Recited  
 Tract or parcell of Land  
 containing fixty acres soula  
 by the said Townes. Ibbosome  
 un to the said John beloealle  
 which acer of Land being  
 laid out on the south by East  
 side of the brige halfe an  
 acer of the fore Recited Acres  
 Lying on the south side the  
 highway and the other halfe  
 of the fore Recited acer of Land  
 now Given by the said John  
 beloealle and heres his wife  
 Lying & being on the north side  
 the highway opesett against  
 the other halfe acer To have

& to hold the fore Recited  
 trackt and parcell of up-  
 land containing now arcer to  
 the french Congregashone now  
 Residing with in the Countey  
 of Richmond To Erectt and  
 build A Church upon the  
 same for the ministry of  
 the Gospell and the main-  
 tainence of Gods holey word  
 and ordinanties and for noe  
 other yowse nor purpose unto  
 The french Congregashone  
 their heirs Exekutors Admin<sup>rs</sup>  
 for Eaver and the said John  
 belwalle and hester his wife  
 doth covinante promise and  
 Grante to & with the overseers

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of the french Congregashone  
that they the said John & bel-  
vealle and hester his wife their  
heirs Ex<sup>ors</sup> Executors Adm<sup>rs</sup>. and  
assignes shall and will for  
ever warent and defend the  
for said french Congregashone  
their heirs and Successors  
for ever in the quiett and  
peacefull posseshone of the  
afore Recited wone acres of  
Land aforesaid against the  
said John belvealle and hester  
his wife or from any other  
person or persones what soe-  
ever Lawfullye claiming any  
state Right titell or intrest  
in or to the same. In testimo-



.ney of the same wee the  
 said John Belvealle and  
 hester his wife have beare  
 unto sett their hands and  
 fixed their seales this twelfth  
 day of Aprill and in the  
 tenth yeare of the Reighen of  
 our Sovereign Lord william  
 the third by the Grace of  
 God of England scotland  
 france and Ireland King  
 defender of the faith Anno  
 que dom: 1698

The markes of  
 John <sup>th</sup>B belvealle O

The markes of  
 hester <sup>th</sup>H belvealle O

signed sealed and delivered  
In the presents of  
Jacob Corbett

D. Lucas  
Jeyn la Tourrette  
Joseph Bastido  
Samuel Grasset

is what Lord Bolingbroke calls "a fair copy of a foul manuscript" Study of Hist. Letter. 1.

He was appointed clerk by Leicester Dec. 18. 1689  
by Vtd. Lett. of Commissions issued by Gov. Leisler N. 146  
Jacob Corbett was the clerk of the D. Hist  
County. To him the honour of the NY. II. 35  
original orthography which I have en-  
deavoured to preserve is due.

The names mentioned in this in-  
strument when properly spelled  
are Belville

Junis Egbertse  
Francis Ossulton or Ossulton  
Hundred in Middlesex called Osulvestone in  
Abraham Lakeman Domesday.  
Jean La Tourrette = Berk, 140  
Joseph Bastido Turner's Hist. II. 35

vid. also D.1. p. 33.

page 298 <sup>First line</sup>  
<sup>Granted to him, March 25, 1677. D.1. 16.77</sup>  
 "The land of Captain Christo-  
 per billope" is spoken of as  
 a boundary in a deed bearing  
 date 1693.

page 311. It appears from a  
 document on this page that  
 John Crocheron had three  
 sons. Nicholas, Anthony,  
 and John. In 1697 the  
 date of the instrument, the  
 father and Anthony were  
 dead. Denyse says the tradition  
 in the Crocheron family (his mother's)  
 is that three Huguenots, broth-  
 ers of that name, came over.  
 p. 322. A deed by which  
 John Mangilson & Trjntze

id. Clinton's Dec. bef. N. Y. H. Sec. p. 53 for an  
interesting speech by an Iroquois chief, proving that  
the vassal nations were not allowed to dispose of  
lands, and again p. 65  
his wife sell to Peter Man-  
gilsou for £50, "a certain  
Tract or parcell of Land lying  
and being at Sagoddiock  
name of a Sachem. Dec. High. 2, 1684.  
quisas which by deed of  
gift has been granted unto  
the said John Mangilsou  
by the Maguase Indians in  
the year 168 $\frac{1}{2}$  the said Land  
Running from the marked  
tree whereon the name of the  
said John Mangilsou stands,  
and also the mark of the  
Maguase Indians unto the  
Creek that lyeth Westward  
the line of the 1<sup>st</sup> Land Run-  
ning into the Woods direct  
North upon a straight line

Together with all houses &c.

Page 340 A deed of gift was  
Recorded for y<sup>e</sup> Dutch Con-  
gregation.

"Know yee that James  
Hanson dye and James fetch-  
eth, both of the County of  
Richmond yeomen have freely  
and voluntarily given and  
granted and doe freely give  
and grant unto y<sup>e</sup> Dutch  
Congregation, a parcell of Land  
lying at the head of y<sup>e</sup> fresh  
kill" 87 foot on y<sup>e</sup> East side  
containing in all 271 foot  
along y<sup>e</sup> King's road &c &c.  
Which sd. Land w<sup>th</sup> the sd.  
James Hanson dye and



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James fetcheth have freely  
given unto y<sup>e</sup> dutch Congre-  
gation for the space and  
term of fifty years for their  
use and benefitt for ye sd  
term mentioned and y<sup>t</sup> hee  
w<sup>ch</sup> lives on y<sup>e</sup> sd land shall  
have y<sup>e</sup> priviledge of fire wood  
for his necessity and also  
y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> said land shall be  
inhabited by no other as by  
y<sup>e</sup> person that serves y<sup>e</sup>  
said Congregation during ye  
said terme." Signed, sealed  
and delivered 169<sup>6</sup>/<sub>7</sub>

James <sup>Signum</sup> X house dyer  
& Co

And ye said James fetcheth

Children shall have free  
 shoelling if y<sup>e</sup> said person  
 shall teach both English  
 and dutch.

P. 373. A deed of sale from  
 John Belleville Sign<sup>r</sup>. to  
 David de bon Repos of y<sup>e</sup>  
 City of New York Minister..

[Dempsey says he was minister of  
 the French congregation on S. F.]  
 SEE OPPOSITE.

P. 389... Lines 2, 3, 4. A tract of  
 land mentioned, "att the head  
 of the fresh Kills, beginning att  
 the South East Corner of the  
 house that belongs to the  
 dutch Congregation."

p. 913. Notice of survey by  
 Peter Cortilyow, Surveyer, of

two islands on the East side  
of the Longneck Creek,  
for William Tillyer

Saturday. Oct. 5. 1850.  
D p. 422

Bon Repos signs his name to  
a letter dated New Rochelle,  
20 Octob. 1690, thus.

D. Bonrepos, pastor  
of this French Colony.  
Doc. Hist. N.Y. II. pp. 304. 305.

P. 425.

This following instrument  
was recorded for the Dutch  
Congregation the 4<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 1702.

Know all men by these  
presents that I Daniell  
Shotoell of Richmond  
County in the province of  
New York out of the pure  
love and affection which  
I beare to my Neighbours of  
the same County and Prov-  
ince aforesaid Have free-  
ly and voluntary given to  
the whole Congregation of  
the Dutch a piece of Land  
Containing Forty foot long  
and thirty foot wide.

Fronting to a black oak  
tree to build a Church  
and I do by these presents  
for my self my heirs Execu-  
tors and administrators and  
assigns that they shall  
peaceably quietly possess  
and enjoy the said Land  
for ever with out any mole-  
station from me my heirs Execu-  
t<sup>rs</sup> administ<sup>r</sup> or assigns or any  
person or persons whatsoever  
claiming from by or under  
me. In Witness whereof I  
have hereunto sett my hand  
and seal this Three and  
Twentieth day of January  
Anno Dom 1760 —



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But it is alsoe provided  
that noe person or persons  
shall live in the said Church  
which if the said Congregation  
of the Dutch shall presume  
to put any Parson therein  
then this my gift to be void.

John Shotwell Daniell Shotwell  
Jos Williamson  
Ephraim Taylor

P. 437 Joseph Billopp  
Justice of the Peace.

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P. 439. Col. Augustine Gra-  
ham and Ellis Dunsbury  
arbitrators in a controversy

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between Thomas Stillwell Esq.  
and Mary widow and relict  
of Thomas Stillwell,  
Jacques Pollou, father of  
said Mary. date 1703

P. 49v.

Indenture made Apr. 11  
1704 between Cap.<sup>t</sup> Christo-  
pher Will<sup>ts</sup> of Staten Island  
Esq and John, Peter, and  
James Le Comte the sons and  
heirs of Peter Le Comte late  
of said island deceased  
Whereas his late majesty  
James the second over  
lord & King Defender of  
the faith in and by a cer.

same Charter or patent  
 bearing date on or about the  
 sixth day of June one Thou-  
 sand six hundred Eighty  
 and seven in the third  
 year of his said Mages-  
 tys Reigne given under the  
 broad Seal of the pro-  
 vince of new-york and  
 Attested by Collonell  
 Thomas Dundon then  
 Capt<sup>t</sup> Generall and Gov-  
 ernor in cheife of the  
 said province and Inrolled  
 in the Secretaries office  
 did amongst other Lands  
 and meadows therein men-  
 tioned Likewise give

grant unto the said Christopher Billopp and to his heirs and assigns forever thirty acres of Salt meadow, &c. &c.

farther on (Page 493) is mentioned "A penintual Called Eldell Isle"

576 An Indenture made April 25<sup>th</sup> 1704 between the Right Honble Thomas Earle of Lynrick and Joseph Billopp <sup>the said in question</sup> beginning at a Black Oak by the burying place Agt. Abrah: Packmans House"

p. 473. Instr. of Richmond Sisters giving her  
children in w<sup>th</sup> p<sup>r</sup> looking glass, linings shells &c.

p. 584. This Following Deed  
of Gift was Recorded for the  
freeholders and inhabitants  
of the County of Richmond,  
August of 8th 1711

To all Christian Peo-  
ple To whom these presents  
shall come William Tillyer  
and Mary his Wife of the Coun-  
ty of Richmond and Province  
of New York Esq<sup>s</sup>. Sends Greet-  
ing Know ye that wee the  
Sd<sup>rs</sup> William Tillyer and  
Mary his Wife for and in re-  
gard of the reall Love, a  
True Zeal and Sincere af-  
fectione that wee doe bear  
to the Church of England,



which is by Law Establish'd  
 and for the Encouragement of  
 Building of one English  
 Church in Statters Island  
 In the County and province  
 aforesaid In America (as afore  
 by Law Establish'd) we doe  
 freely clearly and absolutely  
 give grant Ratifie and Con-  
 firm unto Caleb Hethcot  
 Esq<sup>r</sup> one of Her Majesties  
 most Honor<sup>ble</sup> Council, for the  
 Province aforesaid, and Joseph  
 Billopp. Nath<sup>l</sup> Britton and  
 Lambert Garrison Esq<sup>rs</sup> and  
 Alex<sup>r</sup> Stuart Gent: all of  
 the above County & province At  
 certaine parcell of Land

In the County of Richmond a-  
 forsaid, Lying one Kabres  
 Neck at the Head of the  
 Fresh Kill, beginning at a  
 small Stake or heap of Stones,  
 and Runs Towards the Creek  
 South one Chaine Seventy  
 ffive Links, then East Three  
 Chaine Twenty Links To  
 the High way, Thence by  
 the High way, North Eigh-  
 teen Degrees East on Chaine  
 Thirty Links, Thence North  
 Thirty seven Degrees west  
 Sixty Two Links, Thence  
 west to the Place where be-  
 -gan, Containing Two Rodds  
 and fifteen Perches, To

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have and to hold These  
parcell of Land for Ever To  
The said Caleb Heth Coar  
Joseph Billepp Math<sup>ll</sup> Brit-  
ten Saml<sup>t</sup> Garrison and  
Alex<sup>r</sup>. Stuart, To them there  
heirs and assigns for Ever  
In beholfe of all the free-  
holders and Inhabitants of  
the above said County as als.  
to them and Every of them  
there heirs and assigns for  
Ever, all the above parcell  
of Land to be remaine and  
continue from the date hereof  
and for Ever for Building of  
ne English Church and  
Church yard or Burying place

upon the said Land, for the  
publick benefitt as well  
of the Inhabitants of the said  
Island, as also those above  
named Gentlemen — and  
to no other use the said  
Lands granted to be apply<sup>d</sup>.  
but for the sole and proper  
benefitt of the said Church  
of England as by Law Estab.  
lish<sup>d</sup>. and the sd William  
Tillyar and Mary his Wife,  
doe bind themselves their  
Heirs Exors and Admines,  
that they shall maintaine  
and defend the said  
parcell~~s~~ of Land; In the  
quiett and peaceable pos.

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sessions, To them the sd. Ca-  
ble Heth. Coat Joseph Bil-  
lapp Nathl. Britton Lamb.  
arrison and Alex<sup>r</sup> Stuart,  
and To the said free hold-  
ers and Inhabitants of  
the said County, To them and  
Every of them their heirs  
and assigns for Ever as in  
and Simple agt<sup>t</sup> all manner  
of persons shall Warr<sup>t</sup> and  
for Ever by these presents de-  
fend. In Testimony whereof  
The sd William Tillyer and  
Mary his wife have hereun-  
to sett there hands and fixt  
there Seals — Dated this  
sixth day of August In the

Tenth year of Her Majesty  
 Reigne Anno qe: Domini 1711  
 Sigillant et deliberant  
 in presentia of  
 Aneas Mc Kenzie William Tillyer (C)  
 Henry Berry Mary <sup>her</sup> Mc Tillyer (C)  
 John <sup>his</sup> Morgan Mark  
 Hans <sup>his</sup> J. Lawrence  
 Mark

Sat. Oct 12 1850  
 Margie should be hire all through to word Richmond

This following Instrument was  
 Recorded for the Inhabitants of the  
 west divisione by the order of the wor-  
 shipefull bench siting in Coarte of se-  
 shones the week In september 1699  
 for the regulating & Paying out all  
 the highwayes with in said year.



ter & Entered upon Record  
the: 9<sup>th</sup> day of sep<sup>r</sup>: 1694.

Richmond County this first day of  
September annuque down: 1694:  
By vertue of Awarand dyrected  
to the: Constabell of the west  
division with In the fore said  
county to summonse the free  
holders of said quarter to assemble  
& meete to Gather to brekthe  
Apointhe & lay out such hygh  
waies with in said quarter as  
the Inhabitants shall thinke  
fitt and most convenient  
for the youse & behoofe of his  
magistrie & his subgeckts & for  
the Inhabitants that Give  
back in the woods to transport

themselves & Goods to the water  
 side The freeholders having met  
 to Gather on the day & year above  
 written And ordred and appointed  
 & laid out the highways as here  
 after are specified

1. ordred one highway of six Rod  
 to be betwene Anthony deshon  
 and Sofa fony<sup>a</sup> but by consent  
 Alured and laid out betwene  
 Anthony<sup>the</sup> deshon and Jerome  
 deshon begining att the Could  
 spring

2. To one highway betwene blays  
 Leazeleare & the Cornualisone  
 of six Rod.

3. To one highway betwene William  
 Elstoned Land deceased &

Abraham Coole of six Rod.

4: To one high way between m<sup>r</sup>  
 Jeffere & Peter Souse a wide of  
 six Rod

5: To one high way between Adame  
<sup>ln</sup> and & m<sup>r</sup> Em<sup>l</sup> next to c<sup>a</sup> ~~dam~~ <sup>pen</sup>  
 End of six Rod

6: To one high way between Frau-  
 sis Barber & the Copper Planes<sup>r</sup>  
 of six Rod

7: To one high way between John  
 Ray & markes disoway of six Rod

8: To one highway between m<sup>r</sup>  
 John Lecount & Capt<sup>n</sup> bilope  
 of six Rod

9: To one highway from the west  
 side begining att m<sup>r</sup> Lecounts  
 front & Run<sup>l</sup>s clear over

throw the woods by the line of  
baptist bilope to the widow bea-  
lies house.

:10: To one highway between Cornell  
dougones land & ~~anther~~ an-  
thony Tyse throw the woods to  
the west side between the Gusset  
~~and~~ Richard, woods land but  
left out of the Gusset & see downe  
between Abraham books & the  
land that was william Elstones

:11: To one high way between Mr  
lothenentone & the widow haule  
of six Rood

:12: To one high way between Lomenay  
tarsmaker & John bodine of six  
Rood.

:13: To one high way by the water

side from John bodines to Capten  
Wilkes Land of eight Rods.

14: To one high way by the water  
side begining att int John Lee-  
counts & soe to the pipe makers  
and from thence throw the woods  
to the water side by peter Jon-  
seames his house and from  
thence by the water side to the  
Land of John hendrikson.

15: To one high way <sup>from</sup> peter Jonse-  
ames alongst the water side  
in the front of mr Stinwiles  
Land & adaham huds & Elshee  
harbers and soe alongst the wa-  
ter side to the looper planers.

16: To one high way from the Roike  
of John hendrikson Alongst the

water side To blais Lease are  
 This is a true Record Recorded by  
 the order of the Coarte of Sessions  
 Entered & Recorded by mee  
 Jacob Cortlett; Cla:  
 Lib. B. p. 354.

This following Instrument was  
 for the Inhabitants of the North  
 Division by the order of the  
 Worshipfull bench Sitting in  
 Court of Sessions the 4<sup>th</sup>  
 day of March 1700 for the  
 regulating and Paying out of  
 High ways with in s<sup>d</sup> quarter  
 and Entered upon Record the  
 17<sup>th</sup> day of March anno dom.  
 1700

By Vertue of a Warrant directed



<sup>f.s.</sup> to Land Johnson & Will.<sup>n</sup> <sup>f.s.</sup> George  
 Surveyors of the s.<sup>d</sup> division in s.<sup>d</sup>  
 County to summons the free holders  
 of s.<sup>d</sup> quarter to assemble and  
 meet together to Erect a point &  
 lay out for high ways within s.<sup>d</sup>  
 quarter as the Inhabitants shall  
 think fitt & most convenient for  
 the use and behoofe of his  
 Majes. & his Subjects. the free-  
 holders accordingly having met  
 together ordered & appointed  
 & laid out the high ways as is  
 hereaf.<sup>r</sup> expressed.

1. To one highway along the front  
 of Karels neck six Rods in  
 breadth & so along <sup>Royal Road</sup> where os-  
 wald ford lieth

3. To one high way between the  
 Land of Christian Crossow  
 & <sup>of Segir</sup> Gerritse running to  
 Coedles Town Sea roddin  
 breadth.

This is a true Record Record-  
 ed by order of Court of Sessions:

Entered & Recorded by me

Tho: Coone Clk  
 Lib. B. p. 386.

Recorded at the Request of M<sup>r</sup>  
 James Forrest the following Instru-  
 ment of Writing the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of Au-  
 gust 1769

We whose names are underwrit-  
 ten do Certify that the Bearer  
 hereof James Forrest has lived in  
 the West end of Staten Island two

~~7.~~

72.

years and six months, During  
which time we know nothing of  
him but what is just and hon-  
est, Teaching and Instructing of  
Pupils in such parts of Litera-  
ture as ~~his~~ Capacity could  
contain; with great Fidelity and  
Justice giving due and Regular  
Attendance in said school to  
our mutual & Intire Satisfaction  
and likewise Instructed them in  
their Parts and Honours to our  
great Felicity, and now to part  
at his own Request; As Witnesses  
our hands 6<sup>th</sup> of August been teen  
hundred and Sixty nine 1769.

Isaac Doty William Bennet Abraham Winan  
Peter Androvet David Saforge John Garrison

Zackens Vandyck George Garrison Cornelius Duosway  
 John Dubois Daniel Wiant John Gould  
 Isaac Prall Jacob Reckhow John Story  
 Isaac Doty Daniel Stilwell Thomas Butler  
 Moses Doty John Totton Henry Butler  
 Joseph Spragg Gilbert Totton Christopher Billopp.  
 Jacob Spragg Isaac Mann  
 Daniel Wiant Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Deeds. Lib. F. p. 4.

"This Indenture made the second  
 day of May" 1785 "Between Isogen  
 Ryerson, of the County of Richmond and  
 State of New York, Yeoman, and Cor-  
 nelia, his Wife, of the first part, and  
 Cornelius Buskerk of the County  
 of Bergen, and State of New  
 Jersey, Farmer, of the second part  
 witnesses that G. R. & Cornelia

his wife in consideration of \$1150  
current money of N.Y. "do grant,  
bargain, sell, release and confirm,  
unto the said Cornelius Buskerk  
in his actual possession now being,  
by Virtue of a Bargain and Sale  
to him there made for One whole  
Year, by Indenture bearing  
date the day next before the  
date of these Presents, and by  
force of the Statute for transfer-  
ring Uses into possession)" "All  
that certain Farm, Plantation or  
parcel of Land, Dwelling-House  
and Premises, situate" "on the  
North Side of Staten Island" "be-  
ing part of a Farm or plantation  
formerly belonging to" "Lambert John-

75 Deed on Ch. 1<sup>st</sup> 1769  
N. York

sow Dorland, Beginning" & con-  
taining One Hundred and forty four  
Acres of Land, Eight Rods being  
left by the Water Side for a highway"  
Deeds. Lib. I. pp. 338-9.

"Recorded at the request of William  
Jackson present Minister of the  
reformed Dutch Church in Rich-  
mond Town the following Deed bear-  
ing Date 1<sup>st</sup> May 1769"

"Between Jacob Rensselaer  
of the County of Richmond & province  
of New York Esq. and of the first  
part and William Jackson the  
present Minister of the Reformed  
Dutch Church of the County a-  
foresaid according to the Con-



stitution of the Synod of Dort Nick-  
las Deput Johannes Van Wag-  
nen, Cornelius Van Wag-  
nen, Anthony Fountain the present  
Elders of the said Dutch Church  
Frederick Simonson Hermanns Gar-  
rison Hendrick Garrison & Ma-  
thias Swain<sup>th</sup> the Present Deacons  
of the said Dutch Church Jacob  
Kereau & Samuel Broome the  
Present Elders of the English Pres-  
byterian Church of the County a-  
foresaid according to the West-  
minster Confession of faith Cat-  
echisms and directory, agree-  
able to the present Established  
Church of Scotland Stephen  
Messereau & Peter Wagburn

the Present Deacons of the afore-  
 said English Presbyterian Church  
 of the second part Whereas the  
 aforesaid reformed Dutch Protes-  
 tants & English Presbyterians in  
 the said County of Richmond, in  
 order that the Worship of almighty  
 God may be stately administers-  
 ed among them, Have by a Volun-  
 tary compact agreed to unite  
 in removing the Presbyterian  
 Church now standing at Stony  
 Brook to Richmond Town and  
 in rebuilding the same and  
 whereas they are at present  
 destitute of a commodious  
 Plot of Land in Richmond  
 Town, for erecting the Presby-

herein Church intended to be  
 removed and rebuilt as afore-  
 said Now therefore this Inden-  
 ture Witnesseth that the said  
 Jacob Bezeau for and in Consid-  
 ration of the Pious and Lawful  
 designs of the said per-  
 ties of the second part and al-  
 so of the sum of ten shillings"  
 N. Y. curr. "Hath Granted Bar-  
 gained & sold aliened relea-  
 sed & confirmed" to the parties  
 of the second part "the following  
 Lot of Land Situate at Richmond  
 Town" "Beginning at the North  
 East Corner of the South side of  
 the Main Road adjoining the  
 Land of Thomas Frost and running

along the main Road westerly  
 Sixty five feet, thence Southerly  
 upon a right angle fifty five feet,  
 Thence Easterly upon a Parallel  
 Line with the first course before  
~~well~~ mentioned to the aforesaid Land  
 of Thomas Frost & thence to the  
 Place of beginning "under the Con-  
 ditions herein after Particularly  
 mentioned to wit go as the parties  
 of the second ~~Part~~ <sup>Part</sup> ~~herein~~ <sup>Part</sup>  
~~Part~~ <sup>Part</sup> herein above  
 particularly named or any two  
 or more of them in conjunction  
 as aforesaid or their or either of  
 their Heirs Executors administra-  
 tors or assigns or any Two or more  
 of them (under the express condi-

tion above in part recited) shall  
 and do within the Space of Two  
 Years from the date of their pres-  
 ents Erect an Edifice or Church  
 thereon or on part thereof for the  
 Worship of Almighty God and shall  
 not appropriate apply or convert  
 the same at any time forever there-  
 after to private Secular uses."

Deeds. Lib. E. 64-5

"Dated the Fifteenth Day of April  
 Anno Domini One thousand Seven hun-  
 dred and fifty Seven" "Memorandum  
 that Thomas Dongan" "Dd. Mortgage  
 to John Herriman of the Borough  
 of Elizabeth in the Province of New  
 Jersey and Sarah his Wife Late Sa-  
 rah Dongan Widow of Walter Dongan

Esq.<sup>r</sup> Father of the s.<sup>d</sup> Thomas Dou-  
gan, and Edward Vaughan Dou-  
gan son of the said Walter Dougan  
and Sarah his late Wife, All that  
and those Several Tracts &c  
"within the Manor of Castle  
Terow Contiguous and adjoining to-  
gether and then in the Tenure & Oc-  
cupation of several Persons as Ten-  
ants to the said Walter to wit  
the Close farm or so called now  
or late in the Tenure of Peter Mart-  
ling and to contain two hundred  
and sixty acres or thereabouts  
That Farm or Tract of Land at  
or near the ~~the~~ Little Close late  
ly hired by Peter Marthing Jun<sup>r</sup>  
of s.<sup>d</sup> Walter containing by Es-.



timation Forty Acres or thereabouts  
 that Part of Barent Marthins  
 Farm that lies upon the Hill to  
 the Westward of the Country Road  
 is by <sup>E</sup>stimation about "Twenty  
 five Acres" "Containing in all  
 seven Hundred Acres of Land or  
 thereabouts" Provided that if  
 Thomas D. shall pay to Jas. & Sarah  
 Herriman £40 current money yearly  
 till E. V. Douglass shall attain  
 the age of 21, which will be  
 Jan. 3<sup>d</sup> 1770, but if he dies be-  
 fore reaching that age, shall  
 pay it for as long as he lives, and  
 pay E. V. S. £1000 current money  
 on the day that he is 21, E. V. S. at  
 the same time relinquishing all  
<sup>Thomas Douglass, or</sup>  
 claim against the estate of Walter

Douglas, "by virtue of the before mentioned Writing or agreement so made & executed by him the said Thomas Douglas" "then these ~~Provisions~~<sup>Provisions</sup> and every article and thing therein contained" "shall be as, Petition & become utterly Void & of no effect".  
 Book of Mortgages. A. pp. 39-40.

"Recorded at the Request of Samuel Ward the follow Deed this tenth Day of August" 1788.

"This Indenture Made the first Day of May" 1781, between Christopher Bell<sup>Esq.</sup> & Jane his wife and Samuel Ward of Richmond Co., Yeoman, "Witnesseth that the said

Christopher Billop for and in  
consideration of the sum of three  
thousand seven hundred and  
thirty pounds current money  
of the City of New York" doth  
give grant &c. "All that  
certain Messuage Farm and  
plantation situate and being  
in the S.<sup>d</sup> County of Richmond  
opposite Amboy known by the  
name of the Manor of Bently"  
containing three hundred and  
Seventy three Acres of Land  
and salt meadow be the same  
in Quantity more or Less, being  
Bounded Easterly by Land of  
said Albert Rickman Northerly  
by the river or sound at Low

water mark and westerly and  
 southerly by the Bay at Low  
 Water mark, Together with  
 all and singular the houses,  
 with all the <sup>Prize</sup> ~~Prize~~ <sup>Benefit</sup> and  
 Barris Ferry house and Dock  
 advantages belonging to ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> Ferry and  
 and all out houses stables  
 Dock  
 Gardens fences water springs  
 and runs of water fowling fishing  
 and blaining and Oystering feed-  
 ings pastures meadows marches  
 beaches Woods Timber Orchards  
 Trees easements profits advan-  
 tages hereditaments and ap-  
 purtenances" &c. "Except all  
 mines or minerals that may  
 be on the above premises and  
 also Sixty feet square for a  
 burial place where the said

Christopher Billops's Father,  
 Mother and family is Buried  
 his father's head stone is be  
 the center of the square, which  
 said ground is to be reserved  
 to the said Christopher Billops  
 his heirs and assigns for that  
 purpose and shall not be broke  
 up for any other use or Design  
 whatever"

"Richmond }  
 County ss } Be it remembered  
 that on the ninth Day Au-  
 gust one thousand seven  
 hundred and eighty eight  
 personally appeared before  
 me Isoren Ryerso Esq. Judge  
 of the Court of Common Pleas

for S.<sup>d</sup> County Paul Micheau  
Esq.<sup>r</sup> who declared on the Holy  
Evangelist of Almighty God  
that he saw Christopher Billoppe &  
saw his Wife execute the with  
in deed as their Voluntary act  
and having carefully examined  
the same & finding no erasures or  
interimptions therein do allow  
the same to be Recorded.

Isoson Ryerds.  
Deeds Liber F.

pp. 132-3-4-5.

An Indenture recorded Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> 1788  
made May 29<sup>th</sup> 1780 by which Chris.  
Billoppe grants to Benjamin Drake  
for £ 600 currency a tract of  
land containing 60 acres in the



Manor of Benty.

See Rs. Lib. E. pp. 127-8.

The Indenture recorded Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> 1788 made May 10<sup>th</sup> 1780 by which Chris. Billopp conveys to Joseph Totten for £235 currency a tract of 20 acres and another of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in the Manor of Benty.

See do Lib. E. pp. 129. 130.

Record at the request of Isaac Houtenburgh and Philip Van Cortland Commissioners of Forfeitures for the southern District the following Instruments of writing this twenty fifth Day of May One thousand seven hundred and Eighty Nine.

April 30<sup>th</sup> 1785  
Sold to Cornelius C. Roosevelt of the

City of New York Merchant for  
 the sum of three thousand pounds  
 Lawfull Money of said state.  
 All that certain Messuage or  
 Tenement Mill Barn outhou-  
 ses Farm and appurtenances  
 Situate Lying and being in the  
 County of Richmond and State  
 of New York and is now in the  
 possession of Paul Michean  
 containing Two hundred Acres  
 more or less Forfeited to the  
 People of this state by the at-  
 tainder of Benjamin Seaman  
 late of the said County Esq<sup>r</sup>.

July 16<sup>th</sup> 1784  
 Sold to Thomas M. Farren of

the City of New York Merchant  
for the sum of Eleven hundred  
and twenty pounds sixteen shil-  
ling Lawful Money of the said state.

A tract of Land in the Manor  
of Castle Town consisting of 8 Lots,  
all bounded southerly by "a  
road leading from the Rose  
and Crown to Douglass Hill"  
"Containing Eighty acres Taxed  
and vested in the People  
of this state by the attainer  
of Benjamin Deane and Esquire"

July 16<sup>th</sup> 1784

Sold to Thomas M<sup>c</sup>Farren  
of the City of New York. Mer-  
chant for the sum of four

thousand Sea hundred and  
 ninety five pounds Law full  
 Money of the said State - All  
 that certain Tract or parcel  
 of Land situate lying and  
 being in the County of Richmond  
 and Manor of Benty, bounded  
 Southerly by the Bay or waters  
 called Princes Bay, westerly by  
 the river that runs between  
 the said Land and Ambroy  
 Northerly partly by the Land  
 of Jacob Beckhow and partly  
 by the road and Easterly partly  
 by the road and partly by the  
 Bay containing Eight hundred  
 and fifty acres and half  
 an acre and which said Tract

Divided into the several following Farms and Lots of Land - three hundred and seventy three acres thereof in the possession of Samuel Ward - Two hundred acres in the possession of Albert Rye Knaw, Fifty acres in the possession of John Manner - Fifty acres in the possession of Edmund Wood - Fifty acres in the possession of Andrew Prior - Twenty five Acres in the possession of James Churchward, sixty seven acres and an half acre in the possession of Benjamin Drake - Twenty three acres and an half acre

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in the possession of Joseph  
Totten - Eleven acres and a  
half acre in the possession  
of Jacob Beckhow - Togeth-  
er with all the Buildings  
and Improvements thereon  
Erected and made Forfeited  
to and Vested in the People  
of this state by the Attainder  
of Christopher Billes Late  
of the County of Richmond  
Esquire.

Deeds Lib. E. p. 146.  
As to this property see C. 3. p. 30.  
Indenture made May 1<sup>st</sup> 1783  
between Gozen Ryerse & Abra-  
ham Van Duse r, late of the  
City of New York. Gozen Ryerse  
in consideration of £1500 N.Y.



conveys to Abraham Van Duser  
 all that Messuage, piece  
 or parcel of Land, being in the  
 County of Richmond beginning  
 at a small Brook or run  
 of Water, about four Rods  
 to the South west from  
 the house now or late oc-  
 cupied by Nathaniel John-  
 ston, Innkeeper, from thence  
 North, along the Brook (? Brook  
 or Shore to the Glebe or Church  
 Land, from thence West, stretch-  
 ing along the Fence erected, be-  
 tween the said Land, and  
 said Church Land to the a-  
 foresaid Brook from thence  
 South easterly running, along the

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said Brook, as it runs to the  
place of Beginning - containing  
Twenty Acres, be the same more  
or less, together with the Rock  
Wharves, Houses, " &c. &c.

Deeds Lib. E. 367-8.

Indenture made of March 23<sup>d</sup> 1771  
between Jas. Smith in l<sup>d</sup> of Middlesex  
East New Jersey Gent<sup>l</sup> & Anthony  
Fountain, Roger Barnes, Cornelius, Herman  
us, <sup>Honnick</sup> Honnick, & Henry Van Wagner  
for 7 pound N. Y curr. Jas Smith  
grants "the one quarter part, be-  
ginning at the South West part  
of the South Precinct, at a Place  
called Gosamoca Lot of all the  
Beach not granted before the  
Act of the Patent that the S<sup>d</sup>

words put into the mouth of Kate  
New Republica beyond across  
(good about) no monument  
herdman: his name is said to  
-gods in monument and  
monument.  
M. J. Recerens Kate May  
and de Joneckte.  
VII. 21.  
Note. Arthur's Hall. 1848  
p. 148.  
It was a free-swinging support  
then among the ancients, the  
to read the inscription on  
the monuments of the dead  
was found or quite destroy  
ed the monument. (Don't  
DEEDS <sup>Cinct.</sup> LIB. E. 188.  
claim Ward, facing the North Pre-  
the land now in possession of  
running along, and including the Beach  
all Island called Oyster Island,  
ith claims his Right by withy?

said Brook, as it runs to a  
place of Beginning - Contain  
Twenty Acres, be the same  
or less, together with the  
Wharves, Houses, " &c. &c.

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running along, and including Beach  
to the land now in possession of  
Captain Ward, facing the North  
the morning. (Confer 8)  
DEEDS <sup>Cinct.</sup> T.B.E. 188.  
The monument of the dead  
to read the inscription on  
them among the ancient, that  
it was a prevailing superstition  
p. 148.  
Note. Author's Edit. 1848  
VII. 21.  
M. J. Leveque's Boat Major  
see de l'ouvrage.  
The monument of the dead  
herd and his own sheep (see)  
(good and) no monument  
The monument of the dead  
words put into the mouth of the

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this Life Nov: the 23<sup>d</sup>

Douglas who departed

Charlton & Patience

Douglas, Son of John

Thomas Charles Bradish

In Memory

the friends of those who have been  
the dear of others' friends  
the friends of those who have been  
the dear of others' friends  
the friends of those who have been  
the dear of others' friends

each other is much  
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174.9  
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July the 25<sup>th</sup>

Age 57 years Dec:

Walter Dongan Esq

his only son

Age about 22 years

leaving a daughter

Dec'd July 20 1735

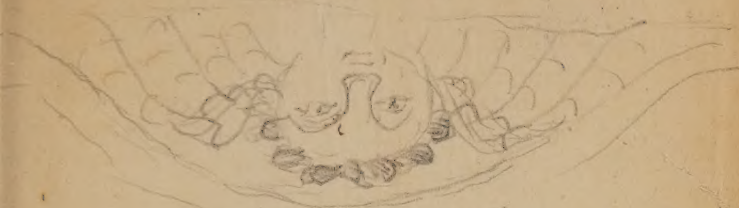
of Walter Dongan Esq

his only son

his wife

Here Lyes <sup>e</sup> Body of  
 Elizabeth Dau<sup>r</sup> of Walter  
 and Ruth Dongarr  
 Dec<sup>d</sup> July <sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1749  
 Aged 19 years & 7 m<sup>o</sup>

There three tomb stones are situated  
 in the grave-yard of St Andrew's Church  
 Richmond At the South of the Church.  
 The inscription on each of them is somewhat  
 and by so many faults and not in small  
 as adjacent and somewhat by a  
 getting two figures of a stone, the



This is a very important monument but  
 the inscription of it is not  
 1801





